

" And to think/" said the boatswain
slily, " to
think that down there, in the south, we
have got a
beautiful beach where turtles and
mussels swarm—
and a beautiful cave where there are
provisions for
several weeks—and in that cave a
beautiful bed of
sea-weed—and we are going to leave
all that
for----"

" But still- -" John Block persisted.

Captain

" I'll shut up, captain ; there are only two words more I should like to say."

" Cut away ! "

And by a no less happy chance—

there seemed
surprising in it, for they had
entered upon